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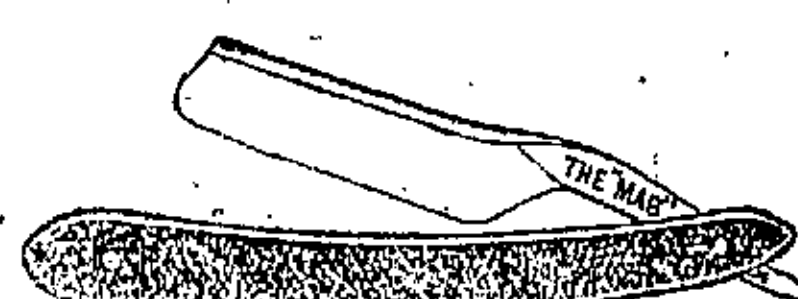
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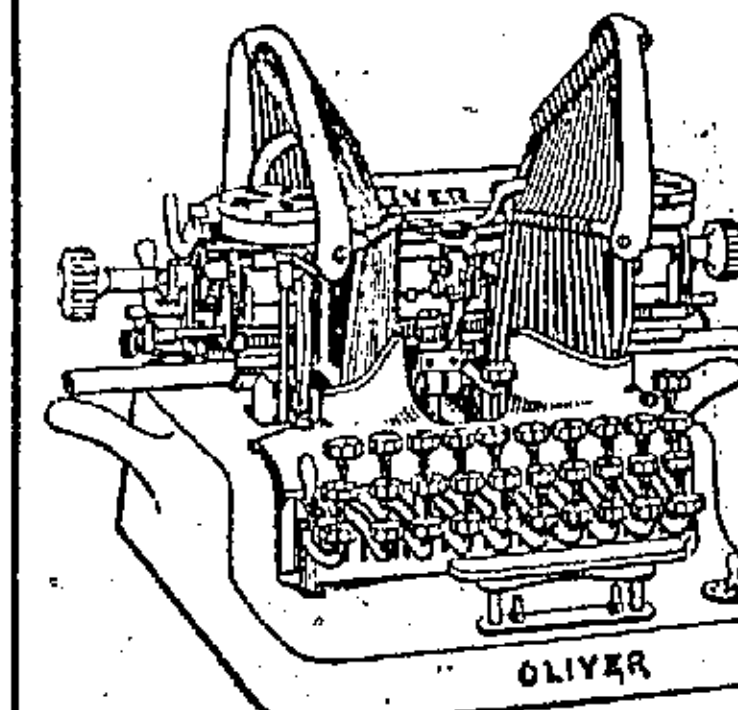
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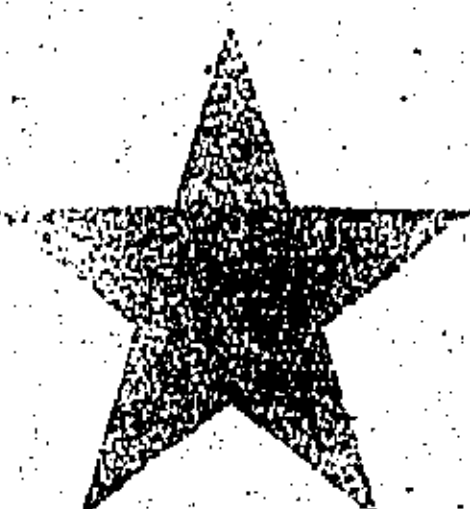
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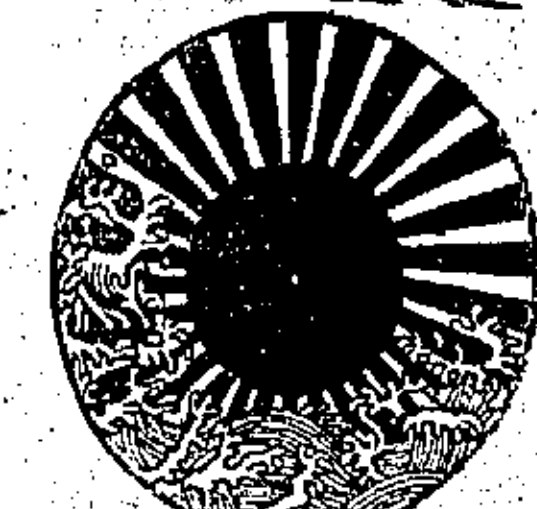
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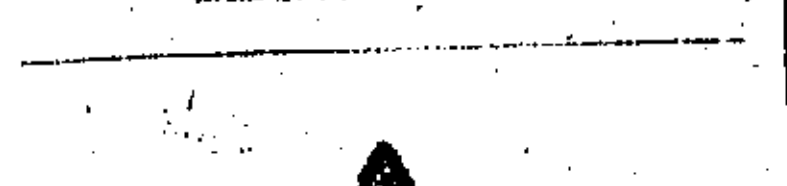
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## THE ROGUE'S MARCH.

Interesting Korean Incident.

There is no nation, writes a contributor

to the Seoul Press of Dec. 5, by which the

roughly, regarded as respectable. There is

enough of original manhood and sense of

communal righteousness left in the heart

of men everywhere to stamp with

displeasure, dishonesty and unrighteous-

ness. While the Rogue's March is not a

penally enshrined in law among the highly

organized nations, yet in one form or

another it is found among all tribes,

and, while summary and humiliating in

character, yet it also serves a very useful

purpose in placing the brand of infamy

upon obnoxious behaviour. The custom of

the Rogue's March is known among the

Koreans, and a most effective illustration

of it occurred not long ago in a district in

the north. The facts are reported as

follows:

A man by the name of An had a case at

law, in which, while he was clearly in the

right in it, he had no confidence in the

integrity of local justice and feared that

unless he took the usual precautions, he

might lose. So he made friends with the

District Magistrate and sent him a present

of a cheque for four hundred yen. He

then presented his case at the Magistrate's

Court who thus learned the purpose of

the four hundred yen. He said nothing,

however; but took the case up and went

into it thoroughly, giving judgment as

the evidence indicated in favour of the

man An. The latter was delighted and

felt he had made a good investment. A

few days afterward, however, the Magis-

trate returned him the cheque and asked

him to call on him. On doing so he was

given a very serious lecture on the iniquity

of his act and sentenced to make the

Rogue's March.

This was done by tying him with ropes

and fastening a drum to his back. Accom-

panied by keepers, he was taken to all the

principal towns and divisions of the dis-

trict, and his shame and impudence

published abroad. The ordeal is a terrible

one, and ruins the man's reputation for

life. Aside from the interest, in the fact

that such a custom is known among the

Koreans, the circumstances of the instance

above are particularly refreshing. The

typical Korean District Magistrate has

been pictured in most of the writings on

Korea as corrupt beyond redemption.

He has been classed among the extortion-

ers, the grafters, and the looters. He has

been held up to execration as a robber and

oppressor and—worse. There is no doubt

that in many instances the charges have

been true, but a new day is dawning in

Korea and a new spirit is coming among the

ruling classes. The ideals the Koreans

possess of an upright magistrate are good.

He was always a man of years, wisdom and

impregnable integrity, who dressed in

coarse homespun and refrained from

his term in office much reduced in worldly

possessions. This was the old type. That

he existed there can be no doubt, but his

trace, except in some instances, ran out

about a hundred years ago. The rule of

Mr. An's district is another type, and the

reviving of the Rogue's March is, thus

Sidonomic in its effectiveness. It is in-

teresting to think what would be the result,

if every one who attempts to subvert justice

with money in Korea, was sentenced to the

Rogue's March.

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MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Amusements.

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Wines and Spirits

at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's Sales

Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Gold and Silver

ware, &amp;c., at Mr Geo. P. Lammer's

Sales Rooms.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios,

&amp;c., at Messrs Hughes &amp; Hough's

Sales Rooms.

General Memoranda.

Monday, December 23—

6 p.m.—Auction of Mechanical Toys

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Tuesday, December 24—

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rent.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1907.

THE TEST MATCH.

Never has the "glorious uncertainty of

cricket" been more strikingly displayed

than in connection with the test match,

the result of which our Sydney corres-

pondent cabled yesterday afternoon. In

the earlier part of the game there was

an absence of any sensational cricket

and the scoring was not up to the re-

putation of either side. After the

Englishmen had completed their second

innings it was anyone's game, although

the change in the weather boded ill for

the Australians. When three of the

best Australian wickets had been lost

for 63 runs and rain rendered further

play impossible it would have been a

whole-hearted optimist who would have

dared to prophesy the Colonial's success.

The cessation of play for a day did not

improve the aspect of affairs. Probably

no-one in Sydney was surprised when

at the luncheon adjournment yesterday,

six of the best batsmen in Australia

had been dismissed before getting within

about 150 of the English total. On a

wicket impaired by heavy rain it seemed

almost impossible to expect that the

"tail" could accomplish the task. Yet

they did it and snatched victory from

defeat with two wickets still in hand.

The Australian eleven has upheld its

traditions. It is when things are at

their worst that it particularly shines.

The legacy which the old country be-

queathed the Colonies is that indom-

itable pluck that dogged refusal to admit

defeat, which has won for the British

so high a place among the nations of

the world. An occasional defeat is no

stigma upon, and no cause for self

reproach to the Mother Country. She

sees her youth renewed in her offspring

and she can afford to glory in any

triumph that they win, even if it is gained

at her expense. Referring to the

recent interport game we laid stress

upon the beneficial effects of these in-

terferences to give a sum equal to that

subscribed by individuals. However it

was found that so magnificently had the

community responded to the demand

made upon it that the Government's

contribution would not be required for

direct relief and it was generally under-

stood that the money would be applied

to the new shelter. The Colonial Secre-

tary stated yesterday that "a scheme

for the construction of a new shelter

had been prepared and awaits considera-

tion by the Public Works Committee to

whom it has been referred as it involves

much greater expenditure than was

originally estimated." If we recollect

right an announcement in precisely

similar terms was made a considerable

time ago! It would be of great interest

to the public, which has to pay for the

dilatoriness of Government officials, to

know just when the scheme was sub-

mitted and when the Public Works

Committee can gain a sufficient respite

from its exacting and assiduous labours

to consider what is a life and death

matter to an important element of our

population. The scored performance of

the ravelling and unravelling of red-

tape is of course carried on behind

guarded doors but even Crown Colonists

have their right to protest. A protest

against unexplained delays which may

bring death or ruin to thousands is

entirely justified.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

Mrs G. C. C. Master has consented to

present the Challenge Cup and Medals to

the winning six-a-side football team at the

match to-morrow.

A reward of \$500 is offered in Singa-

pore for the arrest of Lim Siew Hock,

late cashier of the Trading Company,

Holland.

We are informed the Hongkong

Cinematograph will show to-morrow night,

also on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, the

Passion Play, a film over 6000 feet long.

The Lilliputians arrived a little after

noon to-day after a rough trip from Manila,

on the C. S. N. Co.'s s.s. Taming. The

half hundred little people look none the

worse for their experience in the China

Sea.

The Captain of the Dutch steamer

Korap which arrived at Singapore on

December 7 from Pekalongan, reports hav-

ing passed the four-masted sailing ship

Alcidis (Captain Cummings), which wished

to be reported to the Standard Oil Com-

pany as all well. She was met in 1 deg.

22 min. south latitude, and 107 deg. 57

min. east longitude.

On Saturday evening at the Chinese

Y. M. C. A., Mr Alfred H. Crook, of

Queen's College, will give a lecture on

"The Babyhood of the Earth." It will be

illustrated by 50 pictures showing pho-

nomen of the earth's formation. On

Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock The

Right Reverend Bishop of Victoria will

address a meeting of men at the serge

place.

At St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, on

Sunday next the offerings at all services

will be shared between the Church

KWANGTUNG'S FORCES.

A Matter of Control.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, December 19.

In response to a request from His Ex-

cellency Viceroy Chung that the charge

of the provincial land forces and the fleet be

assigned to two different persons, namely a

general and an admiral, the Peking Gov-

ernment have replied ordering him to

search out a man for the position of

Admiral who is thoroughly acquainted

with the English language.

Shun, it will be remembered, with a

view to economy, put all the forces under

one man, but it is found that the duties

are so different that it is best to divide

them again. The Peking Government

seems to realize that the Admiral must

have much intercourse with foreigners.

THE BANDMANN'S.

The production of "The Christian" at

the Theatre Royal last night by the Band-

mann Company attracted a large audience.

Stage sermons notwithstanding the play is

one that affords scope for forceful acting,

and in this respect Miss Hamer and Mr

Claude King had the bulk of the work to

do and they did it well. Emotional situa-

tions were carried through excellently and

were well sustained, both performers act-

ing with a spirit, a naturalness, and a

finish highly creditable. Mr Clifford

Brown, Mr W. J. Butler, Mr Sydney T.

Pease, Mr W. H. Hargreaves, Mr H.

Sinclair, Mr H. Hargreaves, Miss Helen

Grenville, Miss Lillian Lloyd and Miss

Constance Dowling all had necessary parts, and their

performances were uniformly good. The

audience were greatly moved at times by

the acting of Miss Hamer as Glory Quale

and Mr. King as John Storm and loudly

applauded the efforts of both.

To-night the Company play "The Morals

of Marcus," and to-morrow depart for

Shanghai.

AS OTHERS SEE CHINA.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, November 17.

The China Association dinner and the

opening of the winter session of the China

Society here in London have attracted a

good deal of attention, especially as at

both gatherings Europeans spoke sym-

pathetically of Chinese aspirations towards

progress and towards the development of

China by Chinese men and capital. Dr.

Morrison at the dinner was a great

hit, nobody being able to withstand

his gentle satire on European ability

to swallow European disorders without

comment while at the same time shudder-

ing at disturbances in China, whether they

agreed with his views or not. Since then

reports from American sources of trouble

over British capital being engaged in

southern railway construction has stirred

not only American and Great Britain but

Germany to keen interest. I happen to

know that German newspapers have given

instruction to their London correspondents

to keep the sharpest outlook on this matter

and to report at once any development

indicating that England is strengthening

her hold in the Yangtze region.

America is especially willing to give ear

STUCK FOR MONEY.

Result of the American Panic

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, Nov. 17.

One of the curious results of the financial

stringency in America is that numbers

of Americans are in Europe, particularly in

Paris, practically at their wits' ends as



## BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

## THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

## A Bank Collapses.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 19.

The Jewellers National Bank at North Attleboro, Massachusetts, with deposits of over \$1,000,000, has closed its doors. The cashier has committed suicide.

## ORANGIA.

## First Parliament Meets.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 19.

The first parliament of Orangia has met at Bloemfontein and the members were sworn in.

## A NEW CLUB.

## Brilliant Inauguration.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, December 19.

Lord Milner presided over the inaugural dinner of the United Empire Club.

The dinner was a brilliant function and among those present were the Duke of Marlborough, the Rt. Hon. Arthur Lytton, the Rt. Hon. Austin Chamberlain and Sir Charles Wyndham.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

## LABOUR IN THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, December 18.

Mr. Gompers, President of the Federation of Labour, speaking at a banquet of the Civic Federation, notified employers that workmen will not consent to any reduction of wages as a result of the money panic, for which they are not responsible.

## AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

LONDON, December 18.

In the Budapest Diet, the Premier described a resolution passed by the Reichsrath on the 16th instant, calling on Hungary to deal justly with the various nationalities, as an affront for which Hungary must receive satisfaction from the Vienna Reichsrath.

The Premier said that the Government declined to carry out the resolution and begged the House to abstain from meddling in Hungarian affairs.

## WIRELESS TELEPHONY.

LONDON, December 18.

A wireless telephonic message was transmitted from Berlin to Copenhagen yesterday.

## MOTOR SHOWS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, November 17.

The automobile world is such an important one nowadays that the great shows at Paris and London merit a word or two. Society, especially that part of it which is endowed with ample wealth, is making these exhibition centres of social happenings, and in both capitals there is a daily crowd of the prominent men and fair women in the leading walks of life.

Technically speaking, the shows are demonstrations of the triumph of the four-cylinder car over the six-cylinder, and there is a great and successful attempt to prove that even moderate moneyed people may possess their car without ruining themselves with a heavy outlay. Moreover, there certainly have been gigantic strides of late in the direction of less noise, fewer repairs, greater security, and more comfort.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY CURES QUICKLY, SAFELY AND EASILY.

MR. M. C. CAMERON, proprietor of the Universal Supply Store at Smaldeal, O.R.C., says: "I have used and sold Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for over five years in South Africa and find it gives relief in a very short time and always gives satisfaction to my customers. When I was in England on a trip I was sorry to find that I could not procure this remedy, as a doctor's advice or anything else would not cure me so quickly, safely and easily. This medicine is sold all over South Africa and there is nothing better for coughs, colds or croup as it contains absolutely nothing injurious and is perfectly safe to give the little ones. For sale by all chemists and druggists."

## DASTROUS EXPLOSION.

## Heavy Loss of Life.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

LONDON, December 20.

The Rome correspondent of the "Central News" wires that a terrible explosion has taken place at Palermo in Sicily.

It is reported that one thousand persons have been killed and many wounded, by an explosion at the dynamite depot.

Investigations disclose that the loss of life was not as great as supposed, and the death toll now totals 50.

## COLONIAL OFFICE RE-ORGANISATION.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, Nov. 17.

There has been little comment here on the reorganisation of the Colonial Office, so that the self-governing colonies, and the Crown Colonies shall each have a separate department, and a General department shall deal with legal and other matters outside the work of administration. What comment there is runs to the effect that the reform is more apparent than real, and there is some sympathy in Colonial circles in London with the Australian criticism (that the mountain has gone in travail and brought forth a mouse. Mr. Deakin, I see, thinks it is a poor outcome of the promises at the Colonial Conference, but in official circles here it is believed that benefits will accrue from the new organisation. At the same time politicians who study colonial affairs with keenness, tell me that little benefit will be done to the Crown Colonies until the system of Crown Agents is done away with.

## CANTON LEPER FUND.

We will be glad to acknowledge and forward any donations towards the Canton Leper Fund. We have to acknowledge the following:

H. Skott ... 850.  
H. ... 25.  
Cressman & Co. ... 10.  
Mrs. Bateson Wright ... 10.  
Mrs. F. W. Lyons ... 5.

## THE ROYAL NAVAL RESERVE.

The "Gazette" contains an Order in Council authorising the Lords of the Admiralty to make the following amendments to the Regulations for the Royal Naval Reserve:

(a) They have three years' seniority as midshipman in the Royal Naval Reserve, and are not less than twenty-one years of age.

(b) They possess a first mate's or a provisional first mate's certificate of competency.

(c) They have performed the requisite amount of training and have obtained a test certificate in gunnery.

Midshipmen and acting sub-lieutenants who have undergone twelve months' naval training with a qualifying certificate for training and a very good certificate for conduct will be eligible for promotion to the rank of sub-lieutenant, provided they have five years' service in the Royal Naval Reserve, and have obtained a first mate's certificate of competency.

Midshipmen and acting sub-lieutenants who have not undergone twelve months' training in the Royal Navy will be eligible for promotion to the rank of sub-lieutenant, provided they have six years' service in the Royal Naval Reserve and have obtained an ordinary master's certificate or provisional certificate of competency as master and a test certificate in gunnery.

The names of acting sub-lieutenants who fail to qualify for confirmation in rank by the time they reach the age of thirty years will be removed from the list.

## THE JOINING OF THE SUEVIC.

The new bow of the White Star liner Suevic was successfully placed in the Trafalgar dry dock, Southampton, on Nov. 4, where it will be connected to the after part of the vessel. The bow was towed round to the dock gates by the tugs Hercules and Hector on Nov. 2, and floated into the dock at daylight on the 4th in twenty-one feet of water. The after part was ballasted with sixteen feet of water to keep it in position, and blocks and four square logs fourteen inches square by forty feet long, were fastened to the plates of the after portion for regulating the distance when the bow was admitted. The bow was next centred and placed in line with the after part, the water was pumped out, and the bow then took block, and was hauled into position by her own winches. The task of uniting the two parts will occupy about two months.

## SPORTING.

## League Cricket.

CHARGENOWERY, HONGKONG POLICE. This match will take place on the ground of the latter Club on Saturday next at 2.15 p.m. The following will represent the C.C. Club:—L. E. Lammet (Capt.), M. E. Asger, R. B. A. O. Brown, J. D. Kinnaird, L. A. Rose, E. Irving, R. Pestonji, Dr. F. H. Kew, G. Evans, and J. H. Rutledge.

KOWLOON, MIDDLESEX REGIMENT. On the Kowloon ground on Saturday. The following team will represent Kowloon:—S. Lightfoot, W. Dixon, J. Robinson, J. Clelland, H. Harrop, F. O. Day, K. Macaskill, H. Tillman, C. Libaud, J. Clements, and another.

## R.G.A. &amp; CIVIL SERVICE.

The following will represent the Civil Service against the Royal Garrison Artillery on the Military ground at 2.15 p.m. sharp to-morrow:—Hon. Dr. Atkinson, R. O. Hutchison, R. W. Mitchell, P. R. Adams, L. E. Brett, H. T. Jackson, P. T. Lambie, E. Dawson, A. Pile, F. A. Bilen, and one other.

## LEAGUE TABLE.

CLUB.	MATCHES.	W.	L.	D.	PTS.
Craigengower	6	4	2	0	33.33
R. G. A.	6	4	2	0	33.33
Telegraphs	5	3	2	0	26.00
Midlothes	5	3	2	0	26.00
Civil Service	5	2	2	1	33.33
Departmental	6	3	3	0	
Hongkong Police	7	3	4	0	14.28
Kowloon	5	1	3	1	50.00
Hongkong "A"	5	0	4	1	100.00

A win = 1 point, a draw = 0 point, a loss = 1 point.

## Football.

HONGKONG CLUB & TAMAR. An interesting football match is to be played to-morrow on the Hongkong Club's ground between the Club and the Tamar. The Club, though weak and Turner are absent, should win as the team is a sound one. The players for the Club are: Goal—P. H. Kew; Backs—E. F. Avoct and H. L. Garrett; Half Backs—J. Hall, E. Humphreys and A. Gregory; Forwards—W. H. Williams, L. J. Wishart, O. Eager, C. Humphreys and H. W. Sawyer.

## THE U. S. PACIFIC COAST AND THE ASIATICS.

As Britons are slow to change it is probable that these among them who discovered that the race troubles in British Columbia were due chiefly to American agitators will have full faith in their discovery, but the evidence keeps accumulating against them. A Vancouver correspondent of the New York "Evening Post" who has a strong aversion for union agitators declares that all British Columbia is a unit in the desire to make the province a white man's country. "On this head," he says, "there is no difference of opinion. It is the one big popular sentiment of the present time." He adds that when it comes to a question of methods the radicals are listened to far more attentively than the conservatives. "You will find anti-Asiatic 'cranks' in every walk of life in Vancouver. Even the premier of the province, Richard McBride, is uncompromising in his attitude toward the so-called oriental invader."

It is curious to note how faithfully the history of California is repeated. There appeared recently in a California paper a comparison by which the Chinese were exalted at the expense of other Asiatics. That they have certain superior qualities as workmen cannot be denied but when they were the chief or only "invaders" these virtues were not advertised. Now they are magnified because of the exclusion and restriction laws that are effective against the Chinese and the influx of people of other races. It is the latest arrivals with their threat of a new invasion that are invariably set down as the worst ever. The Japanese are worse than the Chinese, the Hindus are worse than the Japanese, runs the American comment. And now the "Post" correspondent reports that the "Big Mongol" in labour circles on the British Pacific coast "considers the Hindus a greater menace to labour than either the Japanese or Chinese." This may be called the up-to-date treatment of the subject. The fact is that all Orientals are opposed by white labour and that the opposition is of exactly the same sort on both sides of the border.

## JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN KOREA.

## Following Japan's Example.

It is understood, says the Seoul Press, that Korea will, on the whole, follow Japan's example with regard to the judicial system. The country is to have 125 Courts altogether, namely, one Court of Cassation, three Courts of Appeal, eight Local Courts and 113 District Courts. The Court of Cassation will be established at Seoul and the building for the present Supreme Court under construction at Chongno will be appropriated by the new Court. Seoul, P'yong-yang and Taikou will have a Court of Appeal each and the Local Courts are to be opened at the metropolis, P'yong-yang, Han-hong, Uhoon-chon, Chongju, Chonju, Taikou and Haeju while each important provincial town will contain a District Court. It is estimated that the initial expenditure incurred by the adoption of the new system will amount to some one million yen, and that the annual ordinary expenditure of these Courts will reach over ¥1,200,000.

## YOKOHAMA IDENTITY DEAD.

## An Interesting Career.

The "Japan Herald" writes as follows regarding the death of Mr. Louis Dewette.

When the news became known on Saturday evening (Dec. 7) of the death of Mr. Louis Dewette, one of the proprietors of the Oriental Palace Hotel, universal regret was felt, and the sympathy expressed testified to the respect in which the deceased was held among the foreign residents of Yokohama. The active life of Mr. Dewette was largely spent in Japan. Born in 1847 at Ollignies, Belgium, he was on his arrival in Tokyo appointed Master of Ceremonies to the Imperial Household in Tokyo. After a time he became identified with the Club Hotel in Yokohama and the branch which was known as the Hotel Metropole in Tokyo. With Mr. Murayama he founded in 1890 the Oriental Hotel in Yokohama.

Owing to the great attention given by Mr. Dewette in starting and the success achieved in fully establishing the Oriental Hotel he took a trip home in 1898, intending to obtain rest, but he was recalled owing to the destruction by fire the same year of the Hotel premises. The two proprietors, undaunted by the fire, again erected on the same site on the Band the building now known as the Oriental Palace Hotel, and it was largely the personal unsparing attention of Mr. Dewette that made the Hotel so successful. The late Mr. Dewette succeeded by his unflinching courtesy, tact, and experience, devoting himself wholly to the success of his business. It was his pride, and will over be a fitting memorial to his later years. For three months he has been seriously ill, suffering from asthma, death, due to heart failure, taking place on Saturday evening at the Yokohama General Hospital. Mr. Dewette, who was 60 years of age, leaves a widow, one son (the head of the firm of Dewette & Co.), and a daughter, to whom the sympathy of many friends will be extended in their bereavement.

The funeral service was to take place to-day at 2.30 at the Church of the Sacred Heart, on the Bishi.

## EASTERN EXTENSION TELEGRAPH CO.

The sixty-eighth half-yearly ordinary general meeting of the Eastern Extension, Australasia and China Telegraph Company, Limited, was held on Nov. 13 under the presidency of Sir John Wolfe Barry, K.C.B.

In moving the adoption of the report, the Chairman stated that the gross revenue for the half-year under review, to June 30 last, amounted, in round figures, to £304,000, or a few hundred pounds more than was earned in the June half of 1906. In the latter period, however, an exceptionally large profit was made on exchange, and, if this were excluded from the comparison, the receipts would show an increase of about £8,000 which was derived from the natural growth of traffic. The working and other expenses amounted, in round figures, to £156,000, showing an increase on those for the corresponding period of 1906 of £15,000, of which £3,000 was attributable to the increased cost of maintenance of cables, £2,000 to additional cost of maintenance and renewals of instruments and electrical apparatus, while most of the balance was owing to the supplemental allowances which it had been found necessary to make to the staff in order to meet the continued rise in exchange in the value of the dollar in the Straits Settlements and China, together with the exchange differences affecting the general expenditure in those countries arising from the same cause. The growth of the company's working expenses and their increased ratio to gross receipts appear to be continuous and unavoidable. This was caused to some extent by the prosperity of the countries served by them, as affecting the rate of exchange, but in a larger degree by the increased amount of work which the company had to do for the same or less revenue. Consequently, when reductions of tariff came up for consideration, it was necessary to bear in mind that any increase in the volume of traffic which might be expected from such reductions must, by the fact of increase of volume, add to the actual amount of the working expenses as well as to their ratio to the revenue earned. The net profit for the half-year was about £132,000, and, adding the amount brought forward, there remained a payable balance of about £150,000. The annual quarterly interim dividends of 2s. 6d. per share, or at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum, had been paid for the past half-year, leaving a balance, roundly, of £75,000 to be carried forward. During the past half-year some of their main line cables had been partially renewed at a cost, after making allowance for the value of the picked-up cable, of £9,665, and this amount had been charged against the general reserve fund. The directors had considered it advisable, in view of the continued heavy depreciation in the value of all gilt-edged securities, to dobt that fund with £120,000, as a provision on account of investment fluctuations, and this amount had been deducted from the cost of the investments. As the shareholders would have received with the directors' report a statement of the remarks he made a fortnight ago, at the general meeting of the Western Telegraph Company, in regard to the developments of wireless telegraphy, it was unnecessary for him to allude further to the subject on that occasion. Lord Tweeddale seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

## "GUNNERY OR PAINTWORK."

## Admiral Scott's Indiscretion.

We take the following in reference to the "gunnery v. paintwork" incident from the "Standard" of Nov. 11.

The "Standard" has upon more than one occasion pointed out that the methods of the present naval administration must tend to subvert the spirit of loyalty and discipline which has hitherto been the tradition of the Service. The telegram from our Weymouth correspondent, which we print below, giving an account of an incident which occurred recently in the Channel Fleet, is sufficiently significant in this regard.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

WEYMOUTH, Nov. 10.

The Channel Fleet and the First Cruiser Squadron, at the conclusion of the recent naval manoeuvres, received Admiral's orders to repair to Portland and to undertake the necessary preparations, such as painting ships, for their appearance at Spithead in accordance with previous arrangements.

The fleet arrived at Portland on Tuesday. When the order to begin work was issued, a battleship and a cruiser, the Roxburgh, were outside the breakwater, engaged in gunnery experiments. The Roxburgh belongs to the First Cruiser Squadron, commanded by Sir Percy Scott, who made the following signal to her:—

"Paintwork appears to be more in demand than gunnery, so you had better come in in time to look pretty by the 8th inst."

It was in consequence of this signal that on Friday last the Commander-in-Chief, Lord Charles Beresford, made the following signal to the whole Channel Fleet:—

"Date—November 8, 1907.  
Time—12.55 p.m.  
From—Commander-in-Chief, Channel Fleet.  
To—General.

"The Lord Commissioners of the Admiralty having directed me to prepare the Channel Fleet to do honour to His Majesty the Emperor of Germany, an order was given to all the vessels under my command to be out of routine and paint ship after the manoeuvres. With reference to my order on Monday, November 4, the Rear-Admiral commanding the First Cruiser Squadron, forming part of the Channel Fleet, made the following signal to the captain of the Roxburgh: 'Paintwork appears to be more in demand than gunnery, so you had better come in in time to look pretty by the 8th inst., in regard to my order to the Fleet to paint ship. This signal by the Rear-Admiral, First Cruiser Squadron, is contemptuous in tone and inordinate in character. The Rear-Admiral is to issue orders to Good Hope and Roxburgh to expunge this signal from their signal logs and to report to me by signal when my orders have been obeyed.'

Sir Percy Scott, one way and another, has been a great deal before the public in connection with target practice and gunnery generally. Until lately, when he was appointed to the command of the First Cruiser Squadron, Sir Percy Scott was at the Admiralty as Inspector of Target Practice. He came direct from the Admiralty to the Channel Fleet. Sir Percy Scott is, of course, aware that a signal made from a rear-admiral to a captain is practically as public as it would be if printed in a newspaper.

The Commander-in-Chief's reprimand is, of course, the subject of conversation throughout the fleet.

There are ugly rumours of a dozen ways in which Lord Charles Beresford has been harassed unfairly, and Sir Percy Scott's indiscretion is regarded by the natural sequence of a long series, of which the public is, of course, ignorant.

All are agreed that the matter cannot end here. Lord Charles Beresford is not the type of martinet who stands on his dignity on every possible occasion. On the contrary, he has sedulously encouraged reasonable comments on professional matters. His very strongly worded statement, "contemptuous in tone and inordinate in character," is the strongest language that can be conveyed in official language. A general inquiry into naval administration is a very probable outcome. Every principle of naval discipline is infringed by the underhand intrigues, personal bickerings, and insinuations that are on individuals which have unfortunately characterised naval administration of late. The Percy Scott incident is in all probability merely a visible eruption of the disease from which a section of the administration is now suffering in the struggle to do anything likely to impress the public as a visible sign of efficiency. Such, at least, is the trend of naval opinion, which holds that things have somehow gone very wrong; and it takes more than an inspired Press always to conceal this state of affairs. Officers who, like Lord Charles Beresford, have respect to fall in with the immediate needs of "economy and efficiency," have been the target for attacks in the inspired Press. No one in the Navy has ever doubted the origin of their inspiration. Contemptuous phrases directed against Lord Charles Beresford have now found an echo in the fleet under his command. When the matter is impartially considered, nothing else was to be expected.

When the inspired Press gets hold of the incident it will, of course, put its own interpretation on the matter. Sir Percy Scott will probably be described as the hero who made a gallant stand against "Spit and polish." We shall probably be told that he is a worthy follower of Admiral Sir John Fisher in his crusade for efficiency. However, it was the Admiralty which commanded that the Fleet should not paint ships in honour of the Kaiser. It is generally believed that Sir Percy Scott will have no alternative but resignation.

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## GUN FIRE IN THE BRITISH NAVY.

## "Engineering," referring to the recent naval incident at Spithead between Admirals Lord Charles Beresford and Sir Percy Scott, says the latter's attitude is consistent with his past work, and the appropriation directed to the incident makes appropriate a brief review of the work he has done for that accuracy of gun-fire which Sir John Fisher so vigorously advocated. When paint-work was almost universally recognised on the quarter-deck to be more in demand than gunnery, Sir Percy Scott, then Captain Scott, preferred to instil into his gunners the importance of accurate fire. It was in the Seylla, and later in the Terrible, that he introduced these reforms which then made the quarterly gunnery performance of those ships so conspicuously successful, and which since have so widely influenced the practice of continuous aim so that the gun-sights would always be "upon" the enemy, irrespective of a movement of the ship. He greatly developed telescopic sights, and now the telescopes range in their power of magnification from 7 to 21 diameters in the case of large guns, and from 5 to 12 diameters in the smaller guns. Moreover, the application of an electrical illuminating device ensures accurate fire after sunset. These improvements, in association with a system of calibration, have had an important bearing on gunnery in the Navy. Equally effective was the system of aiming-practice tubes which he devised for attachment to the guns. These tubes, with their "dotters," "spotters," and "knockers," are of incalculable advantage. With them the gun crew have very extensive aiming practice with the minimum of expenditure. Formerly eight rounds were fired from each gun per quarter; now there is continuous practice with the tubes under conditions which closely simulate actual gunfire. There are instructors for gun-fire, and the gun crew is organised on systematic lines. In 1897 only one out of every three shots fired was effective, and there was little improvement in this next few years, notwithstanding that, with increased muzzle energy and lower trajectory, accuracy of hitting was rendered more possible. In 1902 the percentage became 41.1; and in 1903 it was 46; that is to say, the ships in the Fleet at that time fired 13,000 rounds, and barely 6,000 reached their billet. In 1904 the conditions were even worse, the percentage of hits to rounds fired dropping to 12.86 per cent. But in 1905 there was a distinct improvement, and for the first time, at all events in the recent history of the British Fleet, the number of hits in gun practice exceeded the number of misses, the percentage of hits to rounds fired being 66.88 per cent. In 1906 there was a greater advance, to 71.12 per cent., and in 1907 the proportion advanced to 81.44 per cent.; in other words, the number of misses was in the proportion of one to four hits. The firing practice for the current year has not been completed, but the average promises to be nearly 90 hits per 100 shots fired. This, too, notwithstanding much more severe conditions.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 20th at 12.20 p.m.—The barometer has risen slightly over the Philippines and at the other stations around the China Sea. The depression situated to the S. of Luzon yesterday appears to exist this morning as a diffuse area of low pressure lying over the S. Philippines and adjacent waters.

The depression in the North is moving Eastwards to the North of Shanghai, and a rapid decrease of pressure has taken place over N. China. The anticyclonic area remains over the Upper Yangtze. Strong N. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and N. and N.E. gales over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. winds, strong at times.  
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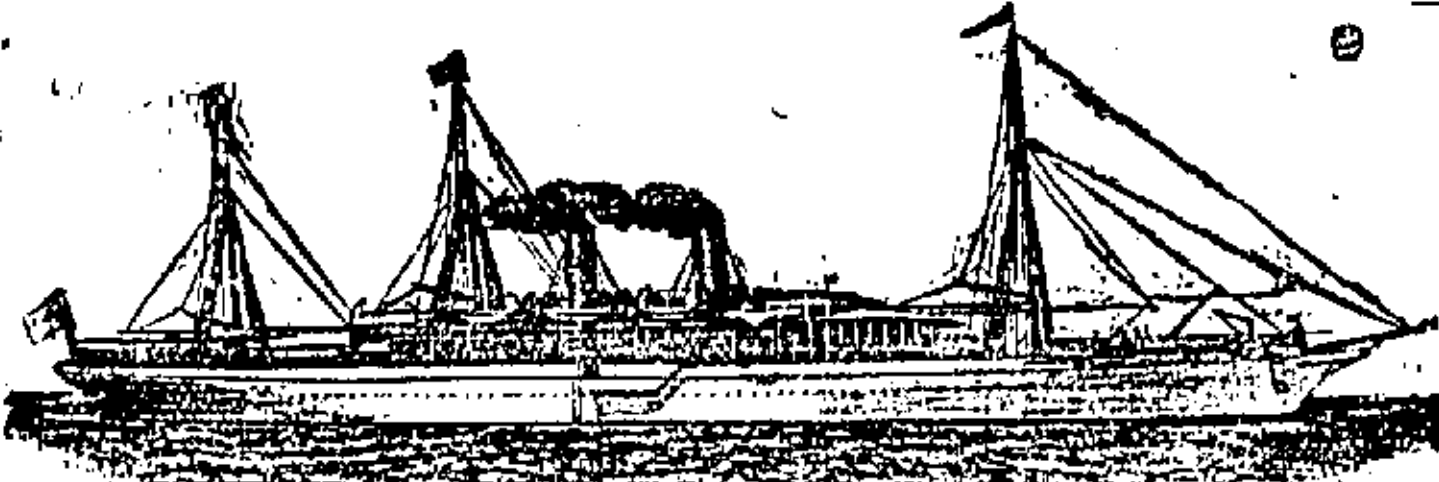
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MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, Via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	KANAGAWA MARU. Capt. N. Ohno, Tons 6189.	WEDNESDAY, 25th Dec., at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. AND S.A. TIT, R. WARE, Via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	WAKASA MARU. Tons 6245. Capt. A. Christiansen.	WEDNESDAY, 8th Jan., Daylight, 1908.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, Via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	IYO MARU. Tons 6320. Capt. Wm. Thompson.	TUESDAY, 24th Dec., at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & KOBE.	KAGA MARU. Capt. G. S. Laprak, Tons 6301.	TUESDAY, 7th Jan., at 4 p.m., 1908.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	YAWATA MARU. Capt. R. Honma, Tons 3817.	FRIDAY, 27th Dec., at Noon.
BOMBAY, Via SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	NIKKO MARU. Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 6539.	FRIDAY, 24th Jan., at Noon, 1908.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	YETOROFU MARU. Capt. E. Sato, Tons 4165.	THURSDAY, 19th Dec., at Noon.
	NIKKO MARU. Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 6539.	TUESDAY, 24th Dec., at Noon.
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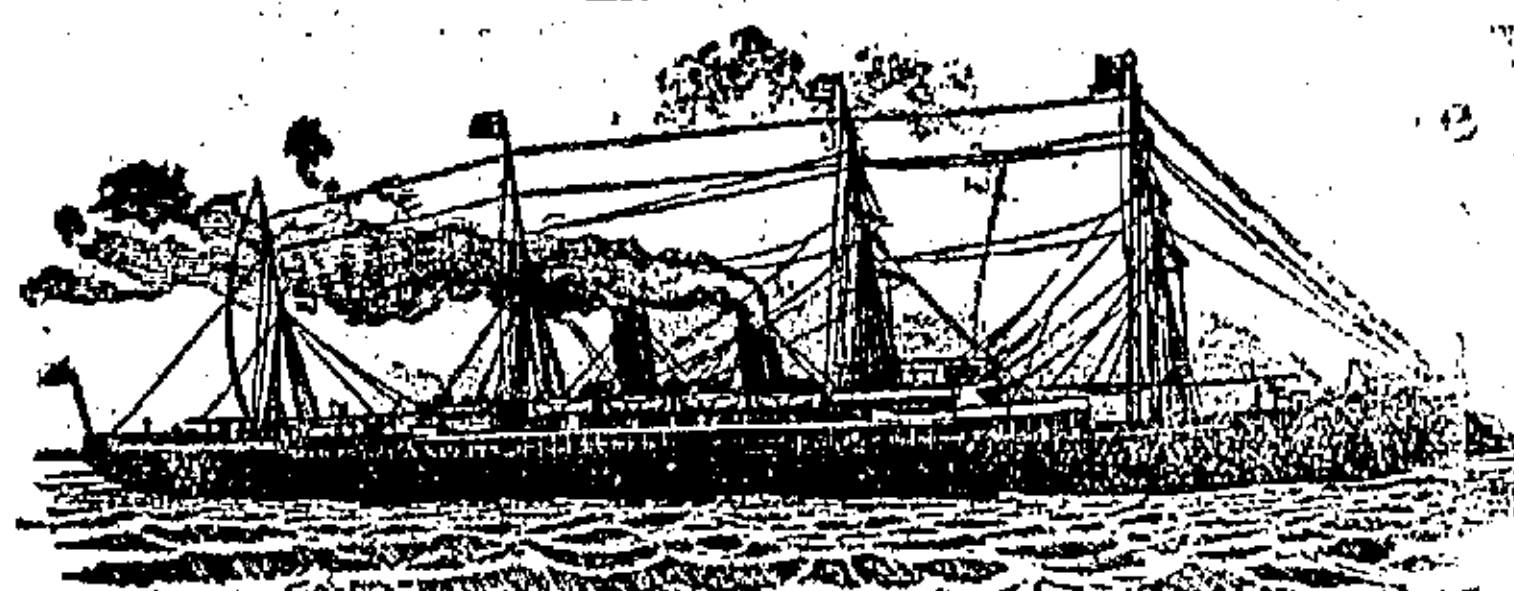
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SHANGHAI via NINGPO	KWONGSANG	MONDAY, Dec. 23, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, Dec. 27, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI	YUENSANG	SATURDAY, Dec. 28, at 3 p.m.
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DELHI	Jan. 11, 1908	MONGOLIA	Feb. 8	Feb. 15
ARADIA	Jan. 25	VICTORIA	Feb. 22	Feb. 29
PENINSULAR	Feb. 8	MACEDONIA	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
DEVANHA	Feb. 22	BRITANNIA	Mar. 21	Mar. 28
DELTA	Mar. 7	MOULTAN	Apr. 4	Apr. 11
MARMORA	Mar. 21	(through steamer)	Apr. 18	Apr. 25
DELHI	Apr. 4	MOLDAVIA	May 2	May 9
MALTA	Apr. 18	HIMALAYA	May 16	May 23
DEVANHA	May 2	MONGOLIA	May 30	June 6
OCEANA	May 16	INDIA	June 14	June 21

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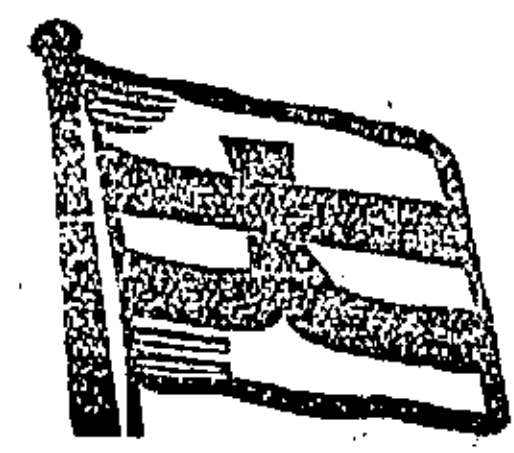
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All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst., or they will not be recognized.

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

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All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 21st of December, at 9.30 a.m.

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## THE MOVE IN CHINA.

The "Jiji Shimpo's" Peking correspondent reports an interview which he had with a member of the British Legation Staff. This gentleman explained (according to the "Japan Mail's" translation) that the document relating to the railway loan for the provinces of Chokiang and Kiangsi does not contain the shadow of a provision calculated to impair Chinese sovereignty. It is a perfectly simple straightforward document, and, if carried out conscientiously, it cannot fail to benefit the two provinces materially. In the opinion of the British Legation the agitation against the loan has been fomented solely by a few irresponsible students and publicists whose object is probably rather to embarrass the Peking Government than to assert their country's rights. It is astonishing that the local officials should tamely bow their heads before such an agitation.

As to the problem of the Hsinking pirates, it is on record that British ships have been again and again the victims of outrage at the hands of these lawless people, and that strong representations have been repeatedly made to the Chinese Government without any practical effect. This informant is said to have denied that the British naval authorities have ever taken the matter in hand so far as that particular region is concerned. On the contrary, the duty of protecting British property was some time ago entrusted to the Chinese Imperial Customs at the instance of the British Government.

## PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S MESSAGE.

Comments by the "Standard."

A London telegram to the "Osaka Jiji" states that the "Standard," in commenting on President Roosevelt's message to Congress, draws attention to the President's insistence on the necessity of an expansion of the Army and Navy. Against what great Power, the journal enquires, does he desire that America's military and naval forces shall be strengthened? It sympathizes, however, with his contemptuous reference to persons who attach the opprobrious term "jingo" to those who desire to strengthen the national defences. Such a strenuous man as President Roosevelt the "Standard" proceeds, must feel some impatience at the fact that America has no enemy to defeat. With peace reigning all over the world, there are few chances to stimulate the courage and patriotism of the nation. It is consequently very likely that the valour and spirit of the nation may decline. That the President appreciates this consideration may be indicated by the stress which he is now laying on national defence. As far as foreign policy is concerned, the President said nothing provocative, and he displayed particular friendliness toward Japan. In conclusion, the "Standard" while admitting that it goes without saying that the Pacific and Atlantic coasts must be treated on an equality in naval matters, again asks why the President insists on the development of the country's military arrangements at this particular time. The message adds that the paper hints that the military and naval expansion is directed against Japan.

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Heart—Chi Sum ... .. each 10

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Geese—Ngai ... .. 22

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Eels, Congor—Hoi Mann ... .. 14

Fresh water—Tun Siu Yu ... .. 14

Eels, Yellow—Wong Siu ... .. 24

Frogs—Tun Kai ... .. 28

Garoupa—Sok Pan ... .. 48

Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu ... .. 12

Horrings—Tso Pak ... .. 22

Hillbait—Cheung Kwan Kip ... .. 24

Labrus—Wong Fa Yu ... .. 18

Loach—Wu Yu ... .. 28

Lobsters—Kung Ha ... .. 30

Mackerel—Chi Yu ... .. 16

Monk Fish—Mong Yu ... .. 24

Mullet—Chai Yu ... .. 22

Oysters—Sang Hoo ... .. 20



